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AGENCY: OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

CENTRALIZED PAYROLL

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EFFECTIVE

EXPIRATION

DATE: JUNE 2008

DATE: JUNE 2009

SUPERSEDES: 07-18-OMB

SUBJECT: CONTINUED COVERAGE FOR TEN-MONTH EMPLOYEES - DENTAL EXPENSE PROGRAM

ATTENTION: ALL DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL AND PAYROLL OFFICERS

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Ten-month employees enrolled in the State Dental Expense Insurance program or any DPO will have <u>four</u> extra dental deductions taken on Pay Period "13" to cover the periods for which these employees will not be paid during July and August.

As a result of new labor contracts between the State and employees covered by CWA, AFSCME, and IFPTE unions, ten-month employees now pay a 1.5% health benefit premium on their bi-weekly base pay throughout the ten month period. In doing so, the employees are no longer required to have extra deductions taken from their check to cover the non-working summer months. The bi-weekly premium withheld from their pay during the ten months covers them through the summer months, July and August.

Per contractual agreement, coverage for newly hired ten-month employees whose contract extends from September 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009, must be in effect by September 1. Based on the current bi-weekly schedule, the effective date for this year will be August 30, 2008. When submitting health/dental applications for these employees, mark the application "TEN-MONTH NEW HIRE" and forward it to the Division of Pensions and Benefits. Any additional deductions due for the individual's selected health/dental plan will then be automatically withheld from the employee's wages.

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